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This paper is in response to the Office action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 21, 2004, setting forth a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on August 21, 2004. Insofar as this Response is submitted on November 21, 2004, Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office action, in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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